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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF CANDIDACY FOR REELECTION TO TRADE
& DEVELOPMENT BOARD

1. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS SENT THE EMBASSY A
REQUEST FOR U.S. SUPPORT FOR REELECTION OF THAILAND TO MEMBERSHIP
ON THE TRADE & DEVELOPMENT BOARD, UNCTAD.

2. QTE:.....IN VIEW OF THE TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP OF 29
MEMBERS OF GROUP A FROM THE TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD (TDB) OF
THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT (UNCTAD),
THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND HAS DECIDED TO SEEK REELECTION FOR
ONE OF THE ASIAN SEATS AVAILABLE IN GROUP A OF THE TDB AT THE
ELECTIONS WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE DURING THE FOURTH SESSION OF
UNCTAD TO BE HELD IN NAIROBI IN MAY 1976.

3. AS A DEVELOPING COUNTRY, THAILAND SHARES COMMON TRADE AND
DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS WITH OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THE GOVERN-
MENT OF THAILAND, HAVING TAKEN ACTIVE PART IN UNCTAD'S WORK
INCLUDING THE HOSTING OF THE ASIAN GROUP OF GROUP OF 77'S MEETING
IN 1971, FEELS THAT ITS EXPERIENCES GAINED FROM THE LREVIOUS
PARTICIPATION IN THE TDB WOULD ENABLE THAILAND TO OFFER A CONSTRUC-
TIVE CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF UNCTAD WHICH IS
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TO ACCELERATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

THEREFORE THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND EARNESTLY HOPES THAT THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WOULD KINDLY RENDER
ITS SUPPORT TO THE CANDIDATURE OF THAILAND FOR THE ELECTION
MENTIONED ABOVE. END QTE.

4. THE EMBASSY SUPPORTS THE RTG REQUEST.
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